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Applicant : Batz et al.
Application No. : 09/390,501 Confirmation No.:
Filed : September 3, 1999
For : METHODS FOR PLATING SEMICONDUCTOR WORKPIECES
USING A WORKPIECE-ENGAGING ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY
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PETITION TO REVIVE A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER

37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), the applicants hereby petition to revive the patent application referenced above as supported by the declaration of Harry M. Cross, Jr., enclosed herein.

1. **RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING OFFICE ACTION**

On March 27, 2001, the Patent Office mailed a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due to the law firm of Perkins Coie LLP. On June 27, 2001, the attorney of record,

Mr. Robert B. Polit of Polit & Associates, LLC, filed a payment of the issue fee using form PTOL-85B. (Exhibit A.) Mr. Polit authorized the Patent Office to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1606 for the issue fee. On March 13, 2002, the Patent Office mailed the Notice of Abandonment indicating that this application was abandoned for failing to timely pay the issue fee. The Patent Office did not receive the issue fee because Mr. Polit did not have sufficient funds in Deposit Account No. 50-1606. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$2,560, of which \$1,280 is for the payment of the issue in accordance with the current fee schedule.

2. PETITION FEE

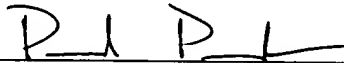
The check enclosed herewith in the amount of \$2,560 also includes \$1,280 for the payment of the fees for this petition set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m). If any additional fees are due, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

3. STATEMENT OF UNINTENTIONAL DELAY

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) was unintentional. As set forth in the enclosed Declaration of Harry M. Cross, Jr., Mr. Cross declares that the abandonment of the application and the entire delay in filing the present petition were unintentional. Therefore, applicant requests that this application be revived. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this petition, please call Paul Parker at (206) 287-3258.

Respectfully submitted,

Perkins Coie LLP



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Enclosures:

Declaration of Harry M. Cross, Jr.
Exhibit A

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Fred,

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Janine

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Serial Number : 080,091 Filed: 09/03/1999

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The following items are transmitted herewith in connection with the above-captioned patent application:

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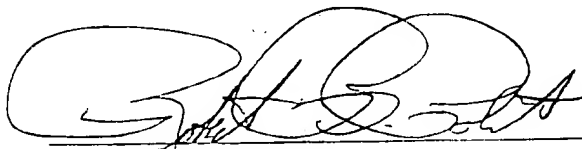
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